GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3136
ANSWERED ON:22.03.2002
SALE OF WHEAT TO ROLLER FLOUR MILLS
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had proposed to sell 20 lakh tonnes of wheat to roller flour mills for export to processed products;

(b) if so, how much of this wheat has been sold to roller flour mills till date;

(c) whether only a small protion of this targeted sale of wheat to roller flour mills have been released;

(d) whether the high cost of wheat offered by the Union Government has acted as an impediment to such sales; and

(e) if so, the steps taken in this regard and to reduce the price of wheat under this scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PRADHAN)

(a): The Government has authorised on 14th December, 2001, the Food Corporation of India tooffer 20 lakh MT of Wheat from Central Pool to RFMs etc. for the purpose of export of wheat products during the year 2001-2002.

(b)&(c): A quantity of 11,500 MTs wheat has been released by FCI to the Roller Flour Mills (RFMs) etc. for export of wheat products so far.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.